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DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Committee held a meeting on March 21, 2016 at 4:30 p.m., in Conference Room A, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, DE.

PRESENT: Cindy Cunningham, PMHCNS/NP; Sandy Elliott, CNM; Christopher Martin, MD;

Leena Paul, MD; Delphos Price, CRNA (arrived at 5:35pm); Megan Williams, FNP

ABSENT: Joseph Parise, DO; Tehal Patel, R.Ph

GUESTS: Jill Englund Jensen, DNP, RN, FNP-BC

PRESIDING: Megan Williams, DNP, FNP-C

STAFF: Peggy Mack, Executive Director - Division of Professional Regulation;

Jennifer L. Singh, Deputy Attorney General, Delaware Department of Justice

1.0 CALL TO ORDER: Dr. Williams called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

2.0 Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the February 22, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Ms. Elliott moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Dr. Paul, MD; the motion passed unanimously.

3. 0 Old Business

- 3.1 Review Draft Rules and Regulations
- 3.1.1. The Committee discussed a draft wording in the rules and regulations for competencies, benchmarks, and metrics for Certified Nurse Midwives and CRNAs. Applicable discussion for CNS and NP was tabled until the next meeting.
- 3.2 Discussion proposed statutory changes
- 3.2.1. APRN, endorsement provision was discussed in context to foreign educated (international nurses). NCSBN current guidelines were included in the discussion.

4.0 Other Business

Scope of practice for FNPs seeing specialized patients and prescribing psychiatric medications was discussed. Ms. Singh noted that rule and regulation 10.0 impacts practice outside one's scope and there is a system for complaints.

5.0 New Business

5.1 Resignation of committee member. Dr. Lawless resigned due to increased work responsibilities associated with his recent promotion. The Board of Medicine will be meeting next month regarding a replacement for the committee.

6.0 Public Comment – none

7.0 Next Meeting Date – April 18, 2016, 4:30 pm

8.0 Adjournment – 6:35 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Peggy Mack, PhD, APRN, PMHCNS Executive Director, Board of Nursing

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